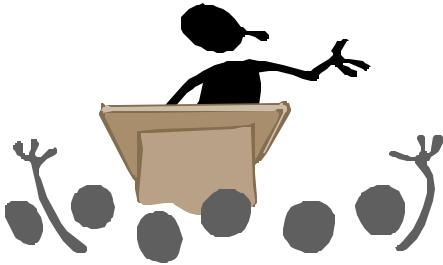


Nostalgic Gazette



City of Miami Beach Retiree Newsletter

MAY 2003



SUMMARY OF GENERAL EMPLOYEES PENSION BOARD

The Board approved a retirement allowance for Isabel Hyman from the Building Department. She retired with 21.21 years of creditable services time. Congratulations!

Administrative Expenses for the month of April were \$35,247.41 and the Pension payroll was \$1,241,463.49.

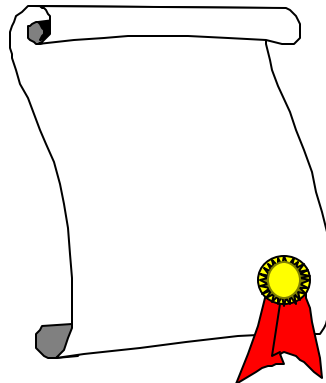
The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2003. Retirees and Pensioners are always invited to attend.



The Annual Retirees Luncheon has tentatively been rescheduled for the fall. Suggestions are greatly appreciated. Further information will be available in upcoming Nostalgic Gazettes.

ANNUAL AFFIDAVIT

Annual Affidavits have been mailed. The Affidavit was included with April's check, check stub or Direct Deposit Statement. It is important that you complete and sign the Affidavit before a notary and return the Affidavit to the Pension office before May 15, 2003. A Notary Public is available in the Pension office.



SUMMER FARE

I'm not a TV devotee
I like the great outdoors,
Doing that which a retiree
Will do until it bores.

I mow the lawn with but an old
Gadget from yesteryear,
While in my yard, long to behold
That which runs like a Deere.

And when the house a painting needs
Could I do it black,
So that when dirt thereon but breeds
T'will lessen folks' attack.

I walk the neighbor's boy to school
For she's a single mother,
And clean the algae from our pool
As if they'd had no other.

I bathe the dog and feed the cat
As by a contract drawn,
And work upon the old Fiat
O'er which I tend to fawn.

I love the great outdoors indeed
For points well indicated,
Till the temperature won't recede
Then I'm intimidated.

I boldly slam the door and then
Turn up the old a/c,
And watch that which for I've no yen
The offering of TV.

But they're so bad I will allow
That each one quickly banish,
And watch the Latin programs through-
I do not speak Spanish.

Mort Roudier

Retiree E-Mail List

The City of Miami Beach has a new Web
Address the new address is
www.miamibeachfl.gov
You can access the Retirees
Newsletter on the web Click on
"Employee" at the top of the page and
select Retiree Newsletter from the
side menu.

The General & Unclassified
Pension E-mail address
GENUNCPENSION@MIAMIBEACHFL.GOV

Yet another way to serve you;
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ADDRESSES ARE UP-DATED MONTHLY
CAUSING CHANGES TO SOME OF THEM.
PLEASE CHECK THE E-MAILS BEFORE
SENDING YOUR MESSAGES

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you have moved or are planning to move, remember to let us know. We **MUST** have your current address and phone number on file. Please complete the address slip below and mail to:

**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH RETIREMENT
OFFICE
1700 CONVENTION CENTER DRIVE
MIAMI BEACH, FL 33139**

Name: _____
Address: _____
Apt # _____ **City:** _____
State: _____ **Zip:** _____
Phone: _____

Important Telephone Numbers

****PLEASE NOTE CHANGES****

- For Direct Deposit, Beneficiary, W4P Forms and questions regarding your monthly pension benefit, call the Pension Office at (305) 673-7437.
- For Humana claim questions, please call directly to 1(800) 520-3798. If this has not resolved your questions you may call the Humana representatives, Vanessa Johnson, at (305) 626-5214 and also toll free, at 1 (800) 533-5001, Ext. 5214.
- American Dental Plan can be reached at 1(800) 342-5209 for questions and PPO forms.
- The City's insurance representative may be reached at (305) 673-7526 and leaving a message. Your call will be returned within 24 working hours.

Where are they now?

*Gabriel Gilbert, son of retiree Jesse James has been nominated to represent the state of Florida as a National Scholar at the National Young Leaders Conference to be held in Washington, D.C.
Congratulations Gabriel!*

Keep those cards and letters coming and sooner or later, they will find their way to "Where Are They Now?" Long time friends and acquaintances will read about you and smile knowingly.

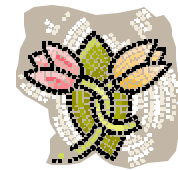
Send information to:
City of Miami Beach Retirement System
1700 Convention Center Drive
Miami Beach, FL 33139

FROM THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES PENSION

George Radak, retired from Parks & Recreation Department on May 1, 1983. He passed away on March 27, 2003 at the age of 80. Our sincere condolences to long time companion of 32 years, Dorrace Balfe plus-3 step kids, 5 grand kids, & 2 great grand kids who loved him dearly.

Phillip Saponaro, retired from Public Works Department on April 29, 1972 passed away April 3, 2003 at the age of 91.

It is with deep sadness that we report the death of John Woods, retired from the Public Works Department on September 1, 1990. He passed away on April 17, 2003 at the age of 79. Mr. Woods was a long time City of Miami Beach employee & Trustee for the General Employees Retirement System. He coordinated the retiree luncheon for many years as well as the "Where Are They Now", column of the Nostalgic Gazette. John you will be missed.



**OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND
FRIENDS**

City of Miami Beach Employee Discounts and Identification Cards

NOTE: The businesses listed provide employees discounts with proof of City Identification card. City Identification cards can be picked up at the City of Miami Beach Police Department, Records Unit, On Friday & Monday mornings. 1100 Washington Avenue City Employees requesting an ID card must bring proof of Prior City Employment. The City does not endorse or assume responsibility for any of these products or services.

AUTO

ATM/GROUP- National Fleet pricing 1-866-AUTO-ATM
PHIL SMITH OF HOMESTEAD- 2% over dealer's invoice call for details (305) 248-4500 Richard Pross or Max McGuffie 29700 South Dixie Hwy.

EXPRESSWAY TOYOTA- 1-3% over invoice call Sheila Korn (305) 261-2181 ext. 320 150 NW 79 Avenue

BANKING

MIAMI BEACH FEDERAL CREDIT UNION- Checking, Savings and Loans 555 Hank Meyer Blvd. (305) 531-8713

SunTrust BANK- 1/4% discount on loans \$0 closing call for details only at 1111 Lincoln Road (305) 674-5253 Bill Thiele

CRB MORTGAGE- \$1,000 savings in closing cost (305) 271-0455 Maria Lacayo-Martinez

HEALTH/BEAUTY

LEONARDO SALON – 20% off 701 Lincoln Road, Suite 109 (305) 674-0323

COMETS CHEERLEADING & DANCE- 10% off classes for ages 5-18 7003 North Waterway Dr. #215 (305) 267-3850 Ana Galvan

SALON 2000- Hair, Nails, Skin Care, Bodywaxing 20% Forte Towers, 1000 West Avenue 305-531-4614

DINING

NEXXT CAFÉ (lunch only) 50% off Lincoln Road (305) 532-6643

JAVIER'S CANTINA MEXICANA- 30% off 805 Lincoln Road (305) 925-0050

MIAMI HEART INSTITUTE CAFÉ- 30% off 4701 N. Meridian Avenue (305) 672-1111

BAMBOO CAFÉ- 25% off 1751 Collins Avenue (305) 672-7030

MCDONALD'S 20% off extra value meals only at 1650 Washington Avenue

MAMA VIEJA RESTAURANT- 15% off 235 23rd Street (305) 538-2400

ALTON ROAD CAFÉ- 15% off 4000 Alton Road (305) 604-9945

CHICKEN KITCHEN- 10% off 1429 Washington Avenue (305) 673-3733

SOUTH BEACH STONE CRAB- 723 Lincoln Road (305) 538-5888
Daily specials Pasta & Fajitas

OTHER

DELL COMPUTERS- special discounts Member ID for City employees SS1673450

AMERICAN AIRLINES ARENA- call or e-mail for available discount on special events 601 Biscayne Blvd. (786) 777-4239 Brad Burlingame

ARGENTI JEWELERS- 70% off retail prices 300 SW 1 Avenue (954) 779-7877

BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB- 15 month membership \$35 (305) 516-4255 Connie Szarka

NEXTEL PHONES & SERVICE- 1517 Alton Road (305) 534-6066 Mayda Bonilla

SERVICES

NATURE & LIFE CORPORATION- 10% -15% free estimates Landscaping & Maintenance (305) 724-6410 Carlos Martino

TRAVEL

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS- Fan Club Member Cards in Human Resources

MIAMI SEAQUARIUM- 20% savings on admission member cards in Human Resources

AIRPORT FAST PARK- \$6.00 with ID, Business Card or coupon in Human Resources

SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUTER SERVICES - 305-535-9160

April 1, 2003

To All Retirees & Pensioners:

As part of our review and audit of the pension payroll, it is necessary to request that you complete the attached affidavit and return it to us no later than May 15, 2003. **Pension benefits will not continue beyond May 15th without the return of the affidavit, signed and notarized.**

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Pension Office at (305) 673-7437.

Sincerely,

Rick Rivera
Pension Administrator

AFFIDAVIT
STATE OF
COUNTY

The undersigned does hereby depose and say that he/she is the retired member, or the beneficiary of a deceased retired member, of the Retirement System for the General Employees or the Unclassified & Elected Officials of the City of Miami Beach named on the pension check issued by said Fund and is accompanying this affidavit, and is duly authorized to receive said check.

Retirees/Pensioners Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Phone #: _____

Current Address: _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 2003 by _____, who is personally known to me, or has produced (type of identification) _____, and (did/did not) take an oath.

Notary Public

Commission Expires

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